GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA

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EXPORT OF ONIONS
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity allotted for export of onions to various canalising agencies particularly the Maharashtra State Agricultural Marketing Board, Pune;

(b) whether the Maharashtra State Agricultural Marketing Board, Pune has requested for allotting more quota to it for export of onions;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI OMAR ABDULLAH)

(a) : A total quantity of 3,50,000 MTs of Onion has been released for export for the financial year 2000-2001. The details of the quantity allotted to different canalising agencies are given as under:-

Sl.No.	Name of the Canalising Agency	Quantity Allotted
1.	NAFED	1,95,000 MTs.
2.	Karnataka State Agriculture Produce Processing and Export Corporation Ltd.(KAPPEC)	2,500 MTs.
3.	Karnataka State Cooperative Marketing Federation Ltd. (KSCMF)	7,000 MTs.
4.	Maharashtra State Agricultural Marketing Board (MSAMB)	65,000 MTs.
5.	Gujarat Agro Industries Corporation (GAIC)	35,000 MTs.
6.	Andhra Pradesh Marketing Federation (AP MARKFED)	10,000 MTs.
7.	National Co-operative Consumers Federation (NCCF)	20,000 MTs.
8.	Spices Trading Corporation Ltd. (STCL)	11,000 MTs.
9.	AP State Trading Corporation (APSTC)	4,500 MTS.

Total Quantity Allotted	3,50,000 MTs.

(b) (c) & (d) : The Maharashtra State Agricultural Marketing Board (MSAMB) has been requesting for higher allotment of quantities of onion for export from time to time. The requests received from MSAMB was alsogiven consideration while releasing the quota for export through various canalising agencies. The MSAMB has been allotted 15,000 MTs out of 50,000MTs. Released for export on 14th March 2001, as against 10,000 MTs allotted to them in February when a similar quantity was released.